

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Southern California Edison Company (U 338-E) for a Commission Finding that its Procurement-Related and Other Operations for the Record Period January 1 Through December 31, 2005 Complied with its Adopted Procurement Plan; for Verification of its Entries in the Energy Resource Recovery Account and other Regulatory Accounts; and for Recovery of \$20.57 Million Recorded in Various Memorandum Accounts.

Application 06-04-001
(Filed April 3, 2006)

ASSIGNED COMMISSIONER'S SCOPING MEMO AND RULING

Summary

This ruling sets forth the scope, service list, schedule, category, and assignment of the principal hearing officer for this proceeding following a May 17, 2006 prehearing conference (PHC), pursuant to Rule 6.3 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules).

Scope of Proceeding

The scope of this proceeding is to determine whether Southern California Edison Company's (SCE) power procurement activities for the recorded period January 1 through December 31, 2005 complied with its adopted procurement plan; whether its Energy Resource Recovery Account (ERRA) entries for that period are reasonable; and whether the entries and requested recovery of selective memorandum accounts identified in the application are reasonable.

Service List

With the taking of appearances at the PHC, a service list has been established for this proceeding. Parties shall serve filings on all appearances listed on the service list, including those identified as “State Service” and “Information Only.” Electronic mail is an acceptable method to serve a copy of those filings.¹

Schedule

The schedule for this proceeding as agreed by all parties of record is as follows:

Date	Activity
August 11, 2006	All Interested Parties’ Testimony
September 8, 2006	Rebuttal Testimony
September 20, 2006	Coordinated Witness List
September 25, 2006	Evidentiary Hearing, Starting at 10:00 a.m. ²
September 26, 2006	Evidentiary Hearing, as needed
October 6, 2006	Opening Briefs
October 13, 2006	Closing Briefs, Requests for Final Oral Argument & Submittal Date ³

¹ See generally, Rules 2.3 and 2.3.1.

² Evidentiary hearing will be held at the Commission’s Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102.

³ Rule 6.3.

November 28, 2006	Draft Decision
December 7, 2006	Comments on Draft Decision
December 12, 2006	Reply Comments on Draft Decision
December 14, 2006	Commission Meeting

The parties shall limit their testimony to matters involving the identified issues. Any request for final oral argument before the Commission shall be made as part of opening briefs that may be filed in this proceeding.

My goal is to resolve this matter no later than December 14, 2006. However, in no event will resolution exceed 18 months from the date of this scoping memo, pursuant to Section 1701.5 of the Public Utilities Code.

Category of Proceeding

This ruling confirms the Commission's preliminary finding in Resolution ALJ 176-3170, dated April 13, 2006, that this proceeding is a ratesetting proceeding, as described in Rule 5(c), and that hearings are required (Rule 6(a)(3)). This ruling, as to category only, is appealable under the procedures in Rule 6.4.

Assignment of Presiding Officer

Administrative Law Judge Michael Galvin will act as principal hearing officer in this proceeding, pursuant to Rule 5(l).

IT IS RULED that:

1. The scope and schedule for this proceeding is set forth herein.
2. Testimony shall be served on all appearances listed on the service list, including those identified as State Service and Information Only, and on the Assigned Commissioner and assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ).

Testimony shall not be filed with the Docket Office. Electronic mail is an acceptable method to serve a copy of those filings.

3. Southern California Edison Company shall coordinate the order that witnesses shall testify with all interested parties and shall provide a copy of an agreed upon witness order list by letter to all parties and to the assigned ALJ by September 26, 2006.

4. Opening and closing briefs shall be filed at the Commission's Docket Office and served on all appearances listed on the service list, Assigned Commissioner and assigned ALJ either by mail or Electronic protocols consistent with Rule 2.3 and Rule 2.3.1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

5. Any request for final oral argument before the Commission pursuant to Rule 8(d) shall be made as part of closing briefs that may be filed in this proceeding.

6. This ruling confirms that this application is a ratesetting proceeding for the purpose of Article 2.5, and that hearings are required. This ruling, as to category only, is appealable under the procedures in Rule 6.4.

7. Parties shall observe and comply with the *ex parte* communications rules set forth in Rules 7 and 7.1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

8. The principal hearing officer in this proceeding is ALJ Michael Galvin.

9. An evidentiary hearing in the proceeding shall be held beginning at 10:00 a.m., September 25, 2006, and continue, as needed, through and including September 26, 2006, in the Commission Courtroom, State Office Building, 505 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, California.

Dated May 22, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

Michael R. Peevey
Assigned Commissioner

ATTACHMENT

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(END OF ATTACHMENT)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Assigned Commissioner's Scoping Memo and Ruling on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 22, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

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